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In Re application of) Group Art Unit: 3654
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Application No. 10/531,908)
Filed April 19, 2005)
For: GUIDING ELEMENTS FOR A)
WEB-PRODUCING OR)
WEB-PROCESSING MACHINE)

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c)(2), the materials set forth on the enclosed PTO/SB/08a form are brought to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the non-U.S. patent documents are enclosed. Copies of the U.S. patent documents are not enclosed. The fee of \$180.00, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.17(p) is to be charged to the deposit account No. 10-1213 of the undersigned.

The subject U.S. patent application is related to co-pending U.S. application No. 10/531,211 which was filed on April 15, 2005. The materials which are listed on the enclosed PTO/SB/08a form were either cited to the Patent Office in that related application, or were cited by the Examiner in that related application.

EP 1 369 368 corresponds to U.S. patent No. 6,789,476.

DE 32 25 360 corresponds to GB 2 122 945, which is in the English language.

DE 22 15 532 corresponds to GB 1,420,147, which is in the English language.

EP 0 933 200 corresponds to U.S. patent No. 6,408,747.

A printing unit with two web guide elements, which two web guide elements are arranged respectively in an inlet and in an outlet area of a printing unit in such a way that, with the printing location disengaged, a web can be conducted through the printing location without touching it, is known from DE 93 11 113 U1. The two web guide elements are embodied as rollers, which are rotatably seated in lateral walls of the printing unit.

U.S. patent No. 3,744,693 is in the English language.

U.S. patent No. 5,423,468 is in the English language.

DE 200 08 665 does not appear to have an English language abstract or equivalent. It is directed to a printing machine. It appears to show several constructions for roller 9 in Figs. 2 and 3.

DE 38 12 826 corresponds to U.S. patent Nos. 4,957,045; U.S. 5,031,528; and U.S. 5,078,061.

DE 42 00 769 corresponds to U.S. patent No. 5,850,288.

DE 43 30 681 is accompanied by an English language abstract which was obtained from a commercial database.

DE 44 46 546 is accompanied by an English language abstract which was obtained from a commercial database.

DE 195 27 761 does not appear to have an English language abstract or equivalent. It appears to show a roller or cylinder in Fig. 1. Views of an enlarged end of that cylinder or roller are shown in Figs. 2-6. These appear to show passages possibly extending to the surface of the cylinder or roller.

DE 198 29 094 is accompanied by an English language abstract which was obtained from a commercial database.

DE 198 29 095 is accompanied by an English language abstract which was obtained from a commercial database.

DE 198 50 968 corresponds to U.S. patent No. 6,514,623.

DE 198 53 414 is accompanied by an English language abstract which was obtained from a commercial database.

DE 199 11 965 corresponds to U.S. patent No. 6,748,861.

JP 57-167330 is accompanied by an English language abstract which was obtained from a commercial database.

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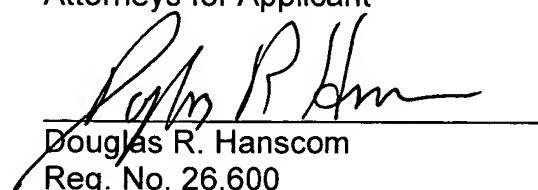
DE 203 03 720 is accompanied by an English language abstract which was obtained from a commercial database.

Entry of these materials into the file of the subject U.S. patent application, and their consideration by the Examiner is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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